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## France Is Ready To Force Berlin To Pay in Full

If Allies Will Not Help in Collecting Reparations Debt, Then Let Them All Stand Aside, Says Poincare

### U. S. Support Is Sought

### Currency Inflation Denied and Terms Laid Down for Any Loan to Germany

By Wilbur Forrest  
By Cable to The Tribune  
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PARIS, Nov. 9.—France will act alone in collecting from Germany if the country does not obtain satisfaction at the Brussels conference, said Premier Poincare in the Senate this afternoon. In one of the most important utterances from the responsible head of an Allied government in many months, the French Premier declared that the conference would mean a complete clearing up of the situation, so far as Europe was concerned.

While Poincare held up the spectacle of isolated measures by France he expressed the hope that the Allies would join France, or if not, stand aside. However, France would take no steps until the Premier said. Nothing then, he added, can prevent France from acting alone in full justification of her rights.

Poincare took occasion to warn those who were urging the government to avoid temporary embarrassment of French exchange by the inflation of fiduciary circulation that he was utterly against such a step. He held up the example of the plight of Germany as the result of this evil, saying that the tendency in France was rather toward deflation than inflation.

### Poincare Hopes for U. S. Aid

Poincare did not touch on Washington's condition of attendance at the Brussels conference that the subject of inter-Allied debts should not be mixed up with the questions of reparations and loans, but was consistent in his theory that general settlement was only possible if the problem of debts was settled simultaneously. The Tribune's correspondent is informed that Poincare has not yet given up hope that direct negotiations between himself and Secretary Hughes may soften the American attitude.

The Premier went to the Senate today to answer questions from friends designed to give him an opportunity to outline the French position, which, by virtue of the speech, now is glaringly clear. He recounted the recent history of the reparations problem, beginning with the London conference, where former Premier Ligerot refused to agree to a productive guarantee against Germany. He recalled the decision of the Reparation Commission on August 31 granting Germany a partial moratorium for the remainder of 1922. He branded this decision as bad, but said France agreed to the measure in order to co-operate with Belgium.

"The Reparation Commission will make certain decisions after its return from Berlin," said the Premier. "But the amount of the German debt has been fixed and the commission cannot reduce this sum without the agreement of the Allied governments. Germany has played a dangerous game with fiduciary inflation. She wanted to go bankrupt. You see the results—dangerous not only to Germany but to our own exchanges. I advise those people who preach fiduciary inflation in France to think this over. France, on the contrary, has reduced her paper inflation, and we can repel with indignation the injurious comparisons made by certain foreign financiers."

**Terms Laid Down by France**  
Here Poincare referred to those who predicted that France would go the same way as Germany. "There is no one Frenchman," he said, "who doubts France, and there is not one foreigner who should doubt her any more."

"Germany is asking for a foreign loan, but it is foolish to count on the stabilization of the mark if the inflation is not reduced and the budget not balanced. We must wait to see whether the German government will accept the necessary measures or if we are compelled to impose them. I am skeptical. Germany must not be authorized to contract a loan if the major part of the reparations are not allocated."

"But if enforcement becomes necessary, will our allies acquiesce?" asked Poincare. "We'll put that question before them at the Brussels conference."

## Debutantes Parade in Fashion Creations to Aid Service Men

Society Crowds Plaza Ballroom to See Mrs. Fortescue's London Exhibit; Bold Experiments in Lavish Fabrics Provoke Prolonged Applause

Society crowded the ballroom of the Hotel Plaza yesterday afternoon, and evening to see the gown creations of Cintra (the Hon. Mrs. John Fortescue, of London), who displayed her designs for the benefit of the Soldiers and Sailors' Club of New York. Debutantes and stage stars were mannequins.

Mrs. Fortescue is a bold experimenter in lavish fabrics and her costumes elicited admiring sighs for the gorgeous brocades used in them. She explained that she loved to work with rich materials, although she preferred simply draped lines, after the Grecian. Dolores, the statuesque Follies beauty, for whom Cintra has designed many gowns, was a subject for prolonged applause in a costume of pale green velvet, silver trimmed, which was wrapped in long graceful folds about her figure. Again, in Fleur d'Orient, a frock and matching cape of black silk shot with gold and dull colors, the actress was effective.

**Appearance "Nameless" Gown**  
Mrs. Fortescue herself wore "Cintra," a black velvet-draped gown which left one shoulder bare. A long black plume trailed from a close fitting turban and a tall Directoire stick added a touch of novelty. She announced the program from a corner of the stage, and once when one of her models failed to appear, she donned a silver-striped black wrap and promenade across the platform.

"Tangerine," of vivid flame-colored velvet; "Gratiana," a dance frock of gold brocade in the manner of the Italian Renaissance; and "Peche Cintra," of peach-colored draped velvet caught at the side with a spray of the fruit, were especially pleasing to the audience. "Red Roses," of ivory-tinted chiffon, festooned with red velvet roses, before them at the Brussels conference.

Turning to the possibility of British co-operation in the use of force if necessary Poincare pointed to Lord Curzon's speech in London yesterday, wherein he had said "this loyal hand." "We are always ready to shake that hand," Bonar Law and Curzon can count on our friendship, as we can count on theirs. However, am not ready to promise that the coming negotiations will be easy. But I promise that the clearing up of the reparations at Brussels will be complete. The question of deliveries in kind and propositions of the participation of the Allies in German industries.

"Before the conference we will not take isolated measures, but if we cannot get satisfaction at Brussels nothing—absolutely nothing—can prevent us from acting alone in full justification of our rights. I am convinced our Allies understand. France is not imperialistic. We proved that within the last month. I could say France is less imperialistic than many other nations, but I have certain rights and will support them."

### Hughes Favors Consular Reorganization Measure

### Post-War Conditions Have Made General Betterment Imperative, He Writes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—Far-reaching reorganization of the foreign service, as proposed in the bill pending in Congress and presented by Representative Rogers, Republican, of Massachusetts, was endorsed by Secretary Hughes in letters to Mr. Rogers and to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, made public today at the State Department.

"Post-war conditions have rendered a general betterment of the present organization so imperative," Mr. Hughes wrote, "that failure to provide for reorganization along constructive lines would be tantamount to retrogression."

The Secretary made it plain that the revised Rogers bill, prepared at the State Department and submitted to President Harding, was the proposal he endorsed.

The principal features of the Rogers bill are: Classification of ministers, amalgamation of the diplomatic and consular services into a single foreign service on an interchangeable basis, representation allowances, substitution of a corps of foreign service pupils for the present corps of consular assistants, and a retirement system.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States plans to work in support of the foreign service reorganization scheme.

## Clemenceau to Promote Peace Alliance Here

Amity in Europe Depends on America, England and France, Says Ex-Premier on Eve of His Departure

### Mission Is Not Official

### Visitor Says He Comes to End the Idea That His Country Is Militaristic

PARIS, Nov. 9 (By The Associated Press).—Former Premier Clemenceau, on the eve of his departure for the United States, declared today that the object of his trip would be "to create a state of mind in the United States which will permit in the future—I hope in the near future—negotiations between public bodies leading to understandings capable of producing results."

He added that he believed the peace of Europe was based upon friendly relations among America, England and France and that his task would be to attempt to make the Americans fully aware of that fact.

Clemenceau's statement was given to Marcel Hutin, of the "Echo de Paris," whose interviews with the former Premier attracted wide attention during the war. Before reaching the salient points of his utterances, however, Clemenceau allowed his humor considerable play, as is his custom.

He explained that he was going to stay at the home of Charles Dana Gibson, "an American painter of great talent, but whom I do not know at all." He added: "It had been previously arranged for me to stay with my good friend, Bernard Berch, who, with Colonel House, made the arrangements for my visit to America. Three days after my arrival I am to give my first lecture in the Metropolitan Opera House."

At this the interviewer allowed himself a broad smile, whereupon Clemenceau said: "I see what you mean, but don't be uneasy—I am not going to sing."

"I certainly am going to speak in English," he went on. "If I spoke in French I would not be understood. When I remarked that this point had been overlooked at the Washington conference the former Premier said it was deplorable that no French delegate at Washington spoke English when capable of using the language."

"I shall speak to the American public as a man sure of being heard," he declared, "and I feel confident I shall be understood."

Clemenceau repeated that he was going without an official mission. "A mission," he said, "would only weaken my task. I am going to eradicate the idea that France is militaristic and imperialistic."

"They say we have a military budget of about 5,000,000,000 francs. I do not know whether that figure is correct or exaggerated, but I do know that I have seen two German invasions and that I do not want to try a third. And I eagerly wish our friends over there to understand this feeling."

He also touched upon the financial arrangements for his visit, about which there has been much comment in Paris, although, as he remarked, "that is a matter concerning myself alone."

The receipts from his lectures are to be expended in works of beneficence and in furthering Franco-American relations.

### Armistice in Boston Over Visit of "Tiger"

### Mayor Says He Is Willing to Confer With Citizen Whom He Accused of "Butting In"

BOSTON, Nov. 9.—Mayor Curley intimated tonight that he would leave open the question of the city's participation in the forthcoming welcome to Georges Clemenceau, formerly Premier of France, until he had talked with Francis L. Higginson Jr.

The Mayor's changed attitude came about when he was informed that Mr. Higginson stated that the misunderstanding which has arisen here over the ex-Premier's reception could be cleared up in a five-minute interview. The Mayor said such an interview would be agreeable to him.

Thus an incident which threatened to mar the visit of the French "Tiger" to Boston on November 23 and 24 is now apparently on the way to a peaceful solution.

The day before, in a characteristic letter, Mayor Curley had accused Mr. Higginson of having usurped the city's right to entertain the distinguished guest, and washed his hands of the affair. This followed the receipt of a letter in which Mr. Higginson invited the Mayor to take part in the exercises.

Mayor Curley expressed surprise when told that a personal representative of M. Clemenceau, who is arranging his tour of the United States, had asked him to act as chairman of the reception committee. He said he had not known of it before.

**Rural Schools Threaten Democracy, Is Warning**  
**Dr. Kenyon Butterfield Says "Little Red Schoolhouse" Prevents Equal Chance**  
The "little red schoolhouse" must be banished for all time, if every American child is to be given his chance in education, Dr. Kenyon Butterfield, of Massachusetts Agricultural College, told delegates to the fifth annual conference of the American Country Life Association last night at Columbia University. Dr. Butterfield, who is being held in Earl Hall, is under the auspices of the Rural Club of Teachers College and will continue for three days. Delegates from all over the world were present and gave a touch of color to the scene by wearing their national costumes.

Dr. Butterfield, who is president of the association, touched upon many evils in rural education after Dean James E. Russell, of Teachers College, had welcomed the delegates.

"Educationally," declares Dr. Butterfield, "the child of Fifth Avenue and the son of Podunk must be given an equal chance or we must surrender the citadels of democracy."

The speaker said the American people gloried in the idea that all children had an even chance, but this was not so. He touched upon the grave menace of developing a peasant class in America, with the increasing social cleavage between the city and country.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, will address the delegates at a dinner tonight at the Hotel McAlpin. Seymour Cronwell, president of the New York Stock Exchange, will speak on "National Prosperity and the Farmer."

### Screwdriver Pierces Head

### Implement Dropped From Building Injures Woman

A screwdriver which fell from the pocket of Ernest Rea, a carpenter, while he was working yesterday on the nineteenth floor of the new Masonic Building, at 382 Sixth Avenue, dropped to the street and penetrated the skull of Mrs. Ella Coleman, thirty-three years old, of 1122 Longwood Avenue.

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